

**HB 768 - VERSION ADOPTED BY BOTH BODIES**

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HOUSE BILL

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AN ACT allowing public schools to contract with any approved nonpublic school.

SPONSORS: Rep. Noble, Hills. 2; Rep. Drye, Sull. 7; Rep. Verville, Rock. 2; Rep. Terry, Belk. 7;  
Rep. McDonnell, Rock. 25; Sen. Sullivan, Dist 18

COMMITTEE: Education Policy and Administration

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill allows public schools to enter into contracts with any approved nonpublic school, including religious schools.

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.  
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struck through.]~~  
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Five*

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*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

1 1 Duty to Provide Education. Amend RSA 189:1-a, IV to read as follows:

2 IV. Pursuant to RSA 193:3, VI, a school board may execute a contract with any approved  
3 ~~[nonsectarian private]~~ **nonpublic** school approved by the school board as a school tuition program as  
4 defined in RSA 193:3, VII to provide for the education of a child who resides in the school district,  
5 and may raise and appropriate money for the purposes of the contract, if the school district does not  
6 have a public school at the pupil's grade level and the school board decides it is in the best interest of  
7 the pupil.

8 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.